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FIG. 19 depicts a cross-sectional view of an apertured basesheet 1 similar to that of the basesheet 1 of FIG. 5 except that the perforations 27 (apertures in the basesheet) have been formed in a manner that creates protrusions 70 extending from the lower portion of the basesheet and surrounding the apertures 70. The protrusions 70 can be wet resilient if formed in a moist state and dried.

Due to changes in pagination of the specification required by the foregoing insertions, a substitute (clean) copy of the entire specification reflecting all the foregoing amendments is enclosed.

In The Drawings

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Add new Figures 18 and 19, enclosed.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-37 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter claimed thereby.

Claims 38 and 39 are retained.

Please amend claim 38 as follows:

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38. (Amended) A method for producing an absorbent article comprising the steps of:
a) preparing a wet resilient, cellulosic basesheet having elevated and depressed regions with an Overall Surface Depth of at least 0.2 mm. and having an upper surface and a lower surface;
b) integrally attaching a contiguous, fibrous nonwoven web having a plurality of openings onto the upper surface of the cellulosic basesheet such that a portion of the openings are superposed over the depressed regions of the cellulosic basesheet;
c) attaching the lower surface of the basesheet to an absorbent core and an impervious web, such that the absorbent core is sandwiched between the impervious web and the basesheet.
